TRANSCRIPT PREPARED BY THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE Transcriber's Office FLOOR DEBATE

May 20, 2003 LB 430

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes. Thank you, Mr. President, members. I turned my light on when I saw Senator Chambers going up to the front desk, because I had a feeling he was up to some kind of mischief. And frankly, I'm just kind of at a loss for words. With that, Mr. President, I'll return my time to the Chair.

SENATOR CUDABACK: It is returned. Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I'm speech...Mr. President, members of the body, I'm speechless too, Senator Chambers. I don't really know what to say. I suppose...I assume you're going to withdraw it. I don't know. What was Omaha's message they had? Omaha medium rare, or something? Rare, well done. And the powers that be pulled that. So I guess that isn't such a good connotation nationwide as we thought. The rest of would like to have it. But I'll pass on judgment for this point. Thanks

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Bromm.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Mr. President. I've been waiting a long time for Senator Chambers to come to the point of recognizing the value of the livestock effort, and particularly the livestock bill. And he finally did. And I think this is a super amendment. And I just intend to support it completely. So I just want to say, Senator Chambers, thank you very much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Bromm (Visitors introduced.) On with discussion of the Chambers amendment, FA1386, to LB 430, Senator Schimek, followed by Senator Preister.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes. Thank you, Mr. President and members. The more I think about this, Senator Chambers, in some ways maybe it's not such a bad idea. And I have to relay to you that, during this past week, that there was a presentation made to the Council of State Governments to bring their annual meeting to Omaha. And one of the things that was done by the Omaha Convention and Visitors Bureau was to send sample steaks, Omaha Steaks, to all the people on the annual meeting committee. And I have to tell you that it was kind of the talk of the town.